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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Bates et al. (GB 2 336 226).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant discussed how the claims are distinguishable from the Bates reference. The Examiner agreed to consider applicant's arguments/amendments when a formal response to the Office Action is received.

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/Maikhanh Nguyen/
Examiner, Art Unit 2176

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